

REMARKS

Reconsideration is requested.

The allowance of claim 51 is acknowledged, with appreciation.

Claim 1 has been revised to include the details of allowed claim 51, which depended from claim 1, to advance prosecution without prejudice. Moreover, claims 38-52 have been additionally canceled above, without prejudice.

Claims 17-20, 23-26, 31 and 33-35 are pending.

To the extent not made moot by the above amendments, the Section 112, first paragraph, rejection of claims 17-20, 23-26, 31, 33-35, 38-50 and 52 is obviated by the above amendments. Withdrawal of the rejection is requested.

The claims are submitted to be in condition for allowance and a Notice to that effect is requested. The Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned in the event anything further is required in this regard.

Respectfully submitted,

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